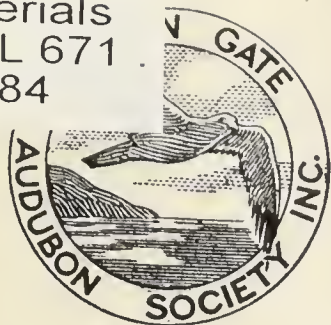
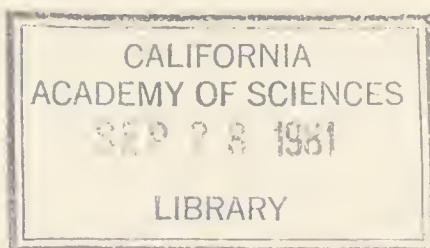


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Great Potoos and Howling Monkeys!

Panama and Costa Rica will be the subject of our October general meeting. Chris Carpenter, who was co-leader of a trip to this area last year with Joe Morlan, will talk about and show slides of the wildlife from plants and monkeys to reptiles and, of course, birds. The meeting, Thursday, October 15, at 7:30 p.m., will be in the Golden Gate Room of the TraveLodge at the Wharf, 250 Beach St., San Francisco (near Pier 39). Free parking is available in the upper TraveLodge parking lot. Take the elevator down to the first level; the meeting room is off the courtyard and swimming pool.

Due to the resounding success of last January's Panama tour GGAS is again sponsoring a trip to the "land bridge of the Americas," January 9-24, 1982. There is no better area in Latin America where such a variety of abundant bird, plant and mammal life can be seen so easily and comfortably. With good weather, fine accommodations and excellent food, Panama is the perfect place to experience the tropics. Our last trip had a list of 448 species seen, including Three-Wattled Bellbird, Sun-bittern, Blue Cotinga, Black Hawk-Eagle, Chestnut-Mandibled Toucan, Great Potoo, 22 species of tanagers, 29 species of hummingbirds, an incredible 54 species of flycatchers and the Resplendent Quetzal among the six species of trogons seen by every member of the tour.

Tour leaders are again Joe Morlan and Chris Carpenter. Joe, who is co-author of *Birds of Northern California* and compiler of the GGAS rare bird alert, has birded in Mexico and Panama. Chris has led several GGAS trips and has birded in Mexico and Costa Rica. This will be his third trip to Panama.

Price of the tour will be \$1795, which will include all food, lodging and transportation except airfare to and from Panama. The tour is limited to 15 participants. For a detailed itinerary contact the GGAS office or call Joe at 524-7421 or Chris at 376-6802.

Field Trips Calendar

See the September *Gull* for details on the following trip:

Saturday, October 3—San Francisco (Land's End).

Sunday, October 11—Sunol Regional Park. Meet at the Park Headquarters. Take I-680 south, exit at Calaveras Rd., go left and follow the signs to Sunol Park (about five miles). Bring lunch. We should see some wintering residents and fall migrants common to the interior. Leader: Art Edwards (447-3720).

Wednesday, October 14—Mini trip to Aquatic Park, Berkeley, and other nearby shoreline areas. Meet at **9 a.m.** in the northwest corner of Spenger's parking lot to carpool. We should see returning shorebirds and migratory ducks. Lunch optional; rain cancels trip. Leader: Ruth Voss (525-8032).

Saturday, October 17—Palo Alto Baylands. Take Hwy. 101 south to Palo Alto, exit at Embarcadero and drive east toward the yacht harbor and the Baylands Refuge until you reach the duck pond on the left just beyond the Palo Alto Airport. Meet here at **9 a.m.** Bring lunch, scopes and clothes appropriate for walking in the mud. We should see shorebirds and waterfowl. Leader: Dan Murphy (564-0074).

Saturday, October 24—Coyote Hills Regional Park. Meet at **8 a.m.** in the parking lot by the visitors' center. From Hwy. 17 take the Jarvis Ave. exit in Newark, continue to Newark Blvd. and turn north. Follow the signs from there to the park. We should see common waterfowl, shorebirds and landbirds. Leader: David Rice (865-7826).

Sunday, November 1—Garin Ranch and Hayward Shoreline Regional Parks. Listen and look for land and shore birds along the trails of these very different regional parks. We will walk three to four miles. Bring your goodies for a leisurely lunch; Garin Park has picnic tables next to the pond. Take Industrial Parkway off Hwy. 17 to Mission Blvd. (Hwy. 238 in Hayward); turn right (south) on Mission, then first left turn (0.2 miles) into Garin. Meet at the parking lot at end of Garin at **8:15 a.m.** (\$1 entrance fee good for both parks). In the afternoon, you

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can find us at the Hayward Shoreline Park. Off Hwy. 17 take Winton Ave. exit west; Shoreline Park is at end of road. Leader: Marie Mans (284-7681).

Sunday, November 8—Tennessee Valley. Meet at 9 a.m. and bring lunch. Going north across the Golden Gate Bridge, take the Mill Valley exit under the Richardson Bay Bridge and in one-half mile turn left at the Tennessee Valley sign. Drive to the end of the road. We will walk on the flat trail looking for land and sea birds. Leader: Betty Short (921-3020) during work hours).

Problems: If for any reason you have difficulty getting in touch with a field trip leader or need information regarding a trip, call Shirley Kelly (387-8290), or the GGAS office (843-2222).

—FIELD TRIPS COMMITTEE

August Observations— through August 26

Several observers mentioned that fall came early, not only in terms of bird arrivals and departures but also plant phenology (GMC, *et al.*). Perhaps the long early-summer heat and absence of measurable dry-season precipitation influenced lowland species, but a connection with montane irruptions is even more speculative. Perhaps weather was inclement on a large area of tundra this year and many shorebirds returned early after breeding was aborted. Conversely, breeding may have been successful and unusually early.

Early departures of passerines may have contributed to our (DR, SFB) difficulty in wresting the last monthly Big Day national record from Manitoba on August 10. However, enough bonus birds arrived early to boost the record to 170 species. An unexpected Short-eared Owl helped us tie the North American record of nine owls in 24 hours and ten would have been possible!

The first fall migrant western landbirds visited SE Farallon on July 22 and two other small waves arrived August 14 and August 18 (PRBO).

WEBFEET

Harlequin Ducks remained at Año Nuevo all month (mob). The Oldsquaw was seen at the Bay Bridge Toll Plaza and Emeryville Marina through August 11 (JM, *et al.*). A subadult Mew Gull at the Emeryville Crescent August 21 may or may not have been the same bird seen there in May (SFB). Two first-year Franklin's Gulls were found August 20 at Stockton Sewage Ponds (BR) and Sutro Baths (LS). A juvenile Least Tern at Moss Landing August 10 (SFB, DR) and an adult with a juvenile there about the same time (DLS) are of interest because the migrations

of our Bay Area birds are virtually unknown once they depart their natal home. An immature Black Tern at the mouth of Salmon Creek, Sonoma County, August 18-23 (JP, BDP, *et al.*) was as always rare on our coast. This seems strange, because this species winters along tropical coasts. Perhaps our inland waters (rice fields, Salton Sea, etc.) are just irresistible and our coast too turbulent. The best bonus bird of the Big Day was Moss Landing's **Black Skimmer**, still present August 10 (DR, SFB). Another **Black Skimmer** was defending the Caspian Tern colony at Drawbridge, southern Alameda County, August 25 (RL).

SHOREBIRDS

Not normally a shorebird, the Sora on SE Farallon August 18-19 (PRBO) must have been one for two days. Two American Golden Plovers at the Black Point Cutoff July 29 (JS) were very early. Another one mile north of the San Joaquin River north of Fresno was apparently the first in Madera County (KHan). Thirty Lesser Yellowlegs at ponds east of Petaluma August 22 (BDP, JP) were a large concentration for the Bay Area. In early August Solitary Sandpipers appeared at four sites that indicate the species' habitat preference in our area: two at Stockton Sewage Ponds August 4 (DW, MG, HG) with one remaining through August 10 (TL, CC), Watsonville Sewage Ponds August 9 (SG), Woodland Sugar Ponds August 11 (TB) and Lower Lake Sewage Ponds, Lake County, August 11? (JS). Not in habitat at Stockton Sewage Ponds was the **Black Turnstone** there August 20 (BR). A Common Snipe at Carmel River Mouth August 10 (SFB, DR) was early. The month's only Semipalmated Sandpiper report was of a juvenile at Moss Landing August 15 (DD). A juvenile **Sharp-tailed Sandpiper** at the Mendoza Ranch pond August 23 (JZ) was California's earliest yet, although earlier arrivals have been noted as close as Oregon. The most prized shorebird was California's seventh **Curlew Sandpiper**, at Año Nuevo August 1 (DS, JR, SM, MM, BW, *et al.*). Only observed for five minutes, the bird was nevertheless well-described in mostly breeding plumage (DS) and was photographed (JR).

LANDBIRDS

A Swainson's Hawk was reported from the Monterey County coast (JS). A disturbing number of Ringed Turtle Doves plagued the East Bay, including one bird sitting on a variety of Mourning Dove nests on the University of California campus (LH, AC) and even a nesting pair (*fide* JM). Let us hope that no population becomes established here. All exotic species should be monitored closely so that reproduction can be halted early, before we have more avian Medflies. A Yellow-billed

Cuckoo in Santa Cruz August 8 (SG) was much more welcome. A Short-eared Owl at the Bay Bridge Toll Plaza August 25 (DWa) was at a surprising site for the early date. The Bixby Canyon, Monterey County, Costa's Hummingbirds successfully completed the first coastal nesting for Northern California (DR). One juvenile was still there August 10 (DR, SFB). An adult male Costa's Hummingbird resided at a feeder in Redwood City from late July through at least mid-August (WR). The irruption of Red-breasted Nuthatches is continuing, both on the mainland and on SE Farallon (mob, PRBO). Two Red Crossbills, a male feeding one in dull plumage, at the unlikely location of Potrero Hill, San Francisco, August 11 (BS) were probably montane visitors.

Carmel's Brown Thrasher lingered at least through August 15 (DD, KH). The male Summer Tanager that sang one day in late July at Munger Lake in South Sacramento (TM, *fide* TL) was probably a late spring vagrant. The first fall vagrant passerines were all on SE Farallon, a Tennessee Warbler August 18, an early Prairie Warbler August 22 and a Lark Bunting August 17 (PRBO).

Corrigendum: The record-setting Big Day team in July consisted of Don Roberson, Jeri M. Langham, Jeff Greenhouse and Steve Wilson.

Observers: Stephen F. Bailey, Ted Beedy (TB), Tony Briggs, Gene M. Christman, Clay Coler, Nancy Conzett, Afton Crooks, Donna Dittmann, Steve Getty, Helen Green, Michael Green, Kem Hainebach (KH), Keith Hansen (KHan), Lola Harris, Ray Hasey, Tom Love, Roy Lowe, Tim Manolis, Mark Miller, Steve Miller, many observers (mob), Joe Morlan, Point Reyes Bird Observatory (Farallon reports thanks to Bob Boekelheide), Benjamin D. Parmeter, John Parmeter, David Rice, Bob Richmond, Jean Richmond, Don Roberson (DR), Wilma Rockman, Jim Rosso (JR), Don Schmoldt, Debra Love Shearwater, Barbara Shulgold, Rich Sintchak, Larry Spear, John Stirling, Derek Watson (DWa), Betty White, David Winkler (DW), Jon Zablackis.

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Color-banded Sanderlings

We have color-banded some 20% of the sanderlings at Bodega Bay. Most of the time the majority of the banded birds stay at Bodega Bay where we keep close track of which ones are around, but some of them wander and we would love to learn how far they go. If you see one of our color-banded birds away from Bodega Bay please tell us! Each bird

has two color bands on the left leg and one or two color bands on the right above a single metal band. Please note the colors, from top to bottom on each leg, and contact us: Cecilia Maizels or Pete Myers, at the Bodega Marine Laboratory (707) 875-2211 or P.O. Box 247, Bodega Bay, CA 94923. We'll gladly supply the history of any bird you see.

Snowy Plover Survey

Point Reyes Bird Observatory is again conducting a Snowy Plover survey which will continue through the spring of 1982. A record number of adults and chicks have been banded this year and volunteers are needed who can go to local beaches to make observations. Hopefully, some of the newly fledged young will turn up, particularly in the Point Reyes area. Please contact Frances Bidstrup, 1270 Day Valley Rd., Aptos, CA 95003, (408) 688-5024 if you can help.

Conservation Notes

FALL MONO LAKE BENEFIT

The Mono Lake Benefit Drawing ticket sales drive is under way. Among the prizes are a handcrafted quilt of Mono Lake, an original water color painting of a Ruddy Duck by Doug Gomke, a framed black and white Mono Lake scape by Michael Beaucage and a dinner for two at the Pelican Inn at Muir Beach.

The Mono Lake quilt, which colorfully depicts flowers, mammals, birds and insects found in that area, will be on display and tickets will be available at several locations through October and early November: the East Bay Heritage Quilters' Craft Faire and Quilt show at the Berkeley Elks Hall, 2018 Allston Way, Berkeley, October 16-18; at the new location of Patience Corners, Shattuck and Cedar, Berkeley, Oct. 19-24, and at the North Berkeley Nature Company, 1999 El Dorado, Oct. 26-Nov. 9. Although we made several attempts, we were unsuccessful in locating a San Francisco business which was able to put the quilt on display. However, drawing tickets will be available at the Eddie Bauer store at 220 Post St. in San Francisco.

The drawing will be at the GGAS general meeting on Nov. 12, 1981. Besides the above locations, tickets are available at the GGAS office, 2817 Telegraph Ave., #206, Berkeley, or call 843-2222 during regular office hours. Evenings and weekends call Helen Green, 526-5943, or Nicki Spillane, 524-5103 (Berkeley numbers). You can buy tickets direct, if you wish, or take books on consignment to sell to your friends and neighbors.

SPECIAL THANKS TO MONO LAKE FRIENDS

Funds for Mono Lake continue to arrive from the GGAS and Wallace Stegner appeal letters of this past spring. Some members and organizations have been particularly generous in contributing \$100 or more. While some of these wish to remain anonymous, we are pleased to gratefully acknowledge the following special contributors: Mrs. Elsie Lidell LePage, Frances Campbell de Gear, Gloria Weston, Audubon Canyon Ranch, California Alpine Club.

Supporting the spring effort or the fall benefit ticket drawing have been many companies who have either displayed the Mono Lake quilt, sold tickets to the benefit drawing or contributed services or materials to our total fund raising efforts. Our thanks to these helpful firms: Bonfield Associates, Inc., San Francisco; Design Enterprises, Berkeley; East Bay Heritage Quilters; Eddie Bauer, San Francisco; Empty Spools, Alamo; Handloomed Fabric Store, The Nature Company, Patience Corners, Poppy Fabrics, Professional Press, Recreational Equipment, Inc. (REI), all of Berkeley.

—AFTON CROOKS, *Mono Lake Subcommittee*

Birding Around Mono Lake

The intriguing avifauna of the Mono Lake area deserves far more attention because, unlike many birding "hot spots," its birds are still poorly known. Exciting birds await discovery and exploring so dramatic an area is certain to prove a memorable adventure.

Wintertime, while relatively dull, is also the least birded season, but a probable Trumpeter Swan observed there in December, 1979, hints of discoveries in store. Things pick up in April with the arrival of a host of northbound shorebirds, grebes, ducks and such nesting species as Spotted Sandpiper, American Avocet, Common Snipe, Snowy Plover, Killdeer and, of course, the California Gulls. The southbound migration begins in July and continues into November, bringing even greater numbers of transients to the lake. Peak populations of Eared Grebes, Northern Phalaropes, Wilson's Phalaropes and California Gulls exceed those anywhere else on earth. Among the less common, but regular, species are White-faced Ibis, Sanderling, Baird's, Solitary and Pectoral Sandpipers, Red Knot and Ruddy Turnstone. The Golden Plover, Wandering Tattler, Sabine's Gull and Parasitic Jaeger have all reached the lake on one or more occasions and there is a probable record for the Hudsonian Godwit.

In general, birding is most productive where fresh water drains into Mono's briny waters. Water diversion has destroyed the best areas, but five excellent spots still remain: Warm Springs, Simon Springs, Gull

Bath Beach, Sneaker Flat and Mono Lake County Park. Of these, only the latter two are accessible by car. These will be the destinations for most one-day birders.

Sneaker Flat and vicinity may be birded from turnouts along Hwy. 395. A scope is very helpful. At the County Park, leave your car in the parking lot and walk to the lake shore. The route can be soggy, so come prepared and beware the "Mono muck," a viscous mud left by the receding lake. Flocks of gulls and shorebirds group on the mudflats around the stream deltas. Thousands more typically dot the dry alkaline flats. And don't neglect to check the park's willows and cottonwoods. Yellow Warblers and House Wrens are tunelessly obvious, while such rarities as Broad-tailed Hummingbird, Eastern Kingbird, Wood Thrush, Black-and-white Warbler, Tennessee Warbler, American Redstart, Orchard Oriole, Summer Tanager, Rose-breasted Grosbeak and Indigo Bunting have all made an appearance. At sunset Common Nighthawks hunt over the lakeshore meadows, while Common Snipe winnow high overhead.

If you have more time, Gull Bath Beach is well worth the 1.5 mile walk from the locked gate just east of Mill Creek on Cemetery Rd. Follow Wilson Creek to the shore of the lake and work eastward toward Black Point. A Black Brant visited this area in the spring of 1978 and a Rusty Blackbird appeared during the autumn of 1978. Warm and Simon springs, perhaps Mono's finest shorebird habitat, require overnight backpacking expeditions. Parts of the south and west shores are accessible by dirt road and are frequently productive. But stick to well-traveled routes; it's easy to get stuck in the sand.

In the Mono Lake environs the birder can find all of the Great Basin's characteristic avian inhabitants. One can hardly traverse the sagebrush without raising protests from Green-tailed Towhees and Brewer's Sparrows. Sage Sparrows and Gray Flycatchers are more local, but can almost always be located at Panum Crater, West Portal and along the Hawthorne Rd. (Hwy. 167) about ten miles east of Hwy. 395. The buffalo berry thickets at the latter locality support a family of Long-eared Owls and are a favorite with Sage Thrushers when the fruits ripen in August. Another good spot for the thrasher is at the north end of Lee Vining, just beyond the high school athletic field. Lewis' Woodpeckers, Pinyon Jays and Pygmy Nuthatches haunt the Jeffrey pine forests — such as those east of Hwy. 395 along Hwy. 120, in the vicinity of Mono Mills.

To the west of Mono Lake, glacier-carved Lee Vining and Lundy canyons harbor both Great Basin and Sierran species. Calliope Hummingbird, Red-breasted Sapsucker, House Wren, Warbling Vireo, Yellow

Warbler and Cassin's Finch are typical of the nesting avifauna. Willow Flycatcher, which has declined catastrophically in California, still nests along Lee Vining and Mill creeks. Two Rocky Mountain species, Broad-tailed Hummingbird and Virginia's Warbler, and an eastern species, American Redstart, may nest here as well, for territorial birds are seen almost every summer. Then there are always surprises, such as 1978's trio of Parula Warblers! En route to Tioga Pass (9941'), Gray-crowned Rosy Finches may usually be found below the north-facing cirque, near the outlet of Ellery Lake. Not far away, near Saddlebag Lake, is one of only two known California nesting sites of the Water Pipit. Goshawk and Golden Eagle breed in the vicinity and are sometimes seen soaring overhead.

Public campgrounds are situated in Lee Vining and Lundy canyons and reasonably-priced motel accommodations are available in the town of Lee Vining. The Inyo National Forest Ranger Station in Lee Vining Canyon is a good source of road and campground information.

—DAVID GAINES

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Birding Class at Albany

Dr. Stephen F. Bailey's popular classes at Albany Adult School continue with one entitled **Salt Water Swimmers**. It covers our many migrant and wintering ducks, loons, grebes, cormorants, alcids and similar birds. Emphasis will be on identification, status, habitat distribution and nonbreeding behavior. Evening slide lectures are 7-9 p.m. on four consecutive Tuesdays, October 27 to November 17. We will study the majority of these birds during two Saturday field trips, one on the outer coast and one in the East Bay.

To register call the school at 526-6811. For more information call Steve at 548-9507.

GGAS to Form Planning Committee

At their meeting on August 31, the GGAS Board of Directors decided to form an ad hoc long term planning committee. Membership of this advisory group will include interested Board members and chapter members who have been involved in our activities in the past. Among the issues we will consider are finding larger office facilities for the society, developing plans for the chapter's Sanctuaries Fund and setting priorities for long-term goals for our conservation efforts. If you have been involved in the operation of GGAS in the past and would like to participate in planning our future, please contact Dan Murphy (564-0074). The committee will have six to ten members and meet alternately in the East Bay and San Francisco.

Meet Our New Executive Director

Andrae Kieserman has replaced Jerry Emory as GGAS Executive Director. A two-year resident of the Bay Area, Andrea had worked as a volunteer on the chapter's Education Committee. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from the State University of New York in Binghamton and has also studied marine ecology at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington.

Roger Tory Peterson in the Bay Area

An exhibition of works by Roger Tory Peterson opens October 22 at the California Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park. The exhibition, entitled "Roger Tory Peterson: Portrait of a Bird Watcher," contains 22 original paintings and 14 color plates used in printing his famous *Field Guide to the Birds*. Memorabilia from his busy studio in Old Lyme, Connecticut, will trace the history of not only the man himself, but of the work that goes into making a Peterson Field Guide.

Mr. Peterson will be at two Nature Company stores on October 22; from noon to 2 p.m. he will be at the new Nature Company store at Four Embarcadero Center, San Francisco, and from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the North Berkeley store, 1999 El Dorado.

A one-day symposium on birds and other flying things has been scheduled for Saturday, October 24, at the California Academy of Sciences. Mr. Peterson will be one of many speakers, talking about his favorite birds, the penguins.

For registration information call the Education Office at the Academy (221-5100). Cost of tickets is \$7 for Academy members and \$15 for non-members.

On October 25, Roger Tory Peterson will be guest of honor at a Mono Lake fundraising to be held at the National Audubon Western Education Center, 376 Greenwood Beach Rd., Tiburon. There will be a wine and cheese tasting and the GGAS-produced Mono Lake quilt will be on display. For complete information as to time and ticket purchases, call the Center at 388-2524.

Fall Cooper Society Meeting

Did you ever wonder why all those hard-to-distinguish *Empidonax* are different species when things so obvious as the Red-shafted and Yellow-shafted Flickers are lumped? Come to the first meeting of the '81-'82 season of the Northern Chapter of the Cooper Society and find out. Robert M. Zink of the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology at UC will present a talk entitled, "Life lists and evolution thoughts on the basis of avian taxonomy." Bob is finishing up his Ph.D. at Berkeley and has

studied bird taxonomy and evolution from Minnesota to Antarctica. The talk will begin at 8 p.m. in Room 2503 of the Life Sciences building on the UC campus on Monday, October 12, and promises to be both enjoyable and informative. As usual, the society's business meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in birds is invited — hope to see you there.

MONTEREY BAY RBA

The Monterey Bay area now has a rare bird alert which may be reached by calling (408) 899-3030.

Fall Seminars at Point Reyes

The Point Reyes Field Seminars Program is dedicated to the enrichment of outdoor environmental education/experiences for adults. However, this fall season will include two programs designed for families. Seminars are offered most weekends between October and January. Most are college accredited; many include overnight accommodations at the Clem Miller-Point Reyes Environmental Education Center.

For brochure and/or information, write: Seminar Coordinator, Point Reyes Field Seminars, Point Reyes, CA 94956, or call (415) 663-1200.

ANTS Volunteers Sought

The Audubon Nature Training Society (ANTS) is offering a series of ten workshops this fall to train new teams of ANTS Volunteers for the coming school year. The workshops will be held five weeks, Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9 a.m. to noon, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 29, at the Camron-Stanford House, the old Victorian house by Lake Merritt at 14th St. and Lakeside Dr. in Oakland. Tuition is \$20 for the series. College credit is available. To register, phone 834-6666. October registration is okay.

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